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## **NOTICE OF MOTION**

# TO ALL PARTIES AND THEIR RESPECTIVE ATTORNEYS OF RECORD:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on October 17, 2008, at 9:00 a.m. or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard, in the courtroom of the Honorable Maxine M. Chesney, situated at 450 Golden Gate Ave., San Francisco, California 94102, the law firms of Glancy Binkow & Goldberg LLP and The Law Offices of Jacob Sabo (hereafter, "Movants") will move, and hereby do move, pursuant to Civil Local Rule 11-5, for an Order permitting Movants to withdraw as Co-Lead Counsel in the captioned matter, and for an Order granting Plaintiff Yuval Lapiner ("Plaintiff") an extension of time in which to file his Amended Complaint on the ground that Plaintiff must seek new lead counsel ("Motion to Withdraw and For Extension of Time" or "Motion").

Good cause exists for the granting of the Motion as set forth in the Declaration of Lionel Z. Glancy ("Glancy Declaration") filed concurrently herewith under seal.

This Motion and is based on this Notice, the attached memorandum of points and authorities, the aforementioned Glancy Declaration, and the Court's complete files and records in this action, as well as such further argument as the Court may allow at the hearing on the Motion.

# MOTION AND MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND AUTHORITIES

#### A. Good Cause Exists

Plaintiff and Co-Lead Counsel have irreconcilable differences over the management and direction of the litigation. Co-Lead Counsel suggest that under these circumstances, they are unable to represent plaintiff, and therefore move to withdraw as counsel of record. *See* Glancy Declaration.

# B. Required Written Notice Has Been Effected

On June 9, 2008, this Court approved Plaintiff's selection of the undersigned attorneys as Co-Lead Counsel for Plaintiff and a proposed class in the captioned matter. However, for reasons constituting good cause set forth in the Declaration of Lionel Z. Glancy, Co-Lead Counsel now intend to withdraw, and have notified Plaintiff and appearing defendants of their intent to do so reasonably in advance of the scheduled hearing on the Motion. *See* Local Rule 11.5(a): "Counsel may not withdraw from an action until relieved by order of Court after written notice has been given

reasonably in advance to the client and to all other parties who have appeared in the case."

Co-Lead Counsel's intent to withdraw as counsel in this case has been effected both verbally and in writing, as required by Local Rule 11-5(a). The primary method of communication with Plaintiff during its representation has been via e-mail. In addition, Lionel Z. Glancy of Glancy Binkow & Goldberg LLP has met with Mr. Lapiner personally on two separate occasions in Israel, where the possibility of not continuing to pursue the action was discussed. Advance written notice of Co-Lead Counsel's intention to withdraw as counsel for Plaintiff was served on Plaintiff by e-mail on August 21, 2008.

# C. Compliance With US Code, Title III, Rule 24(c)

#### 1. Contact Information Re Plaintiff

In compliance with US Code, Title III, Rule 24, Plaintiff's current contact information is set forth in the Declaration of Lionel Z. Glancy filed concurrently herewith. *See* US Code Title III, Rule 24(c): "A motion to withdraw as counsel... [shall]... state the then-current mailing address and telephone number of the party in respect of whom or by whom the motion is filed." At this time the most efficient method of contacting Mr. Lapiner—even for service of this motion—is via e-mail. Co-Lead Counsel intends to serve a hard copy of his motion via the regular Israeli mail system after its filing. In compliance with this rule, however, Co-Lead Counsel will provide the Court with Mr. Lapiner's address and telephone number as soon as possible.

# 2. No Party Has Objected to the Notice of Intent to Withdraw

No party to the action has stated any objection to Co-Lead Counsel's request to withdraw. See US Code Title III, Rule 24(c): "Counsel of record desiring to withdraw such counsel's appearance, or any party desiring to withdraw the appearance of counsel of record for such party, must file a motion with the Court requesting leave therefor... and stating whether there is any objection to the motion."

# D. Plaintiff Should Be Granted an Extension of Time to File His Amended Complaint Because He Must Seek New Counsel

Defendants have been served with Plaintiff's initial complaint, but the parties have filed a Stipulation permitting Defendants to respond to an Amended Complaint. This Stipulation was granted by the Court, and Plaintiff is under order to file his Amended Complaint by August 22, 2008. See "Order Granting Plaintiff an Extension of Time in Which to File His Amended Complaint; Briefing Schedule on Any Motion to Dismiss" ("Order") signed by this Court on August 18, 2008, and attached hereto as Exhibit A. In this Order the Court approved an extended briefing schedule and provided that the hearing date on any motion to dismiss should be noticed no earlier than January 9, 2009. In light of Co-Lead Counsel's Motion to Withdraw, Plaintiff is unable to file his Amended Complaint by August 22, 2008. Movants therefore request that Plaintiff be given at least a two-week extension of time to file his Amended Complaint so that he may seek new counsel. This two-week extension of time should not materially affect the maintenance of the extended briefing schedule contemplated by the Court's Order. Moreover, it is anticipated if new counsel is obtained, that the parties can mutually agree to a modified briefing schedule.

## **CONCLUSION**

For the foregoing reasons, Movants respectfully ask the Court to grant their Motion To Withdraw as Co-Lead Counsel, and to enter an Order permitting Plaintiff an additional two-week extension of time in which to file his Amended Complaint, or such other date as the Court may deem just and proper.

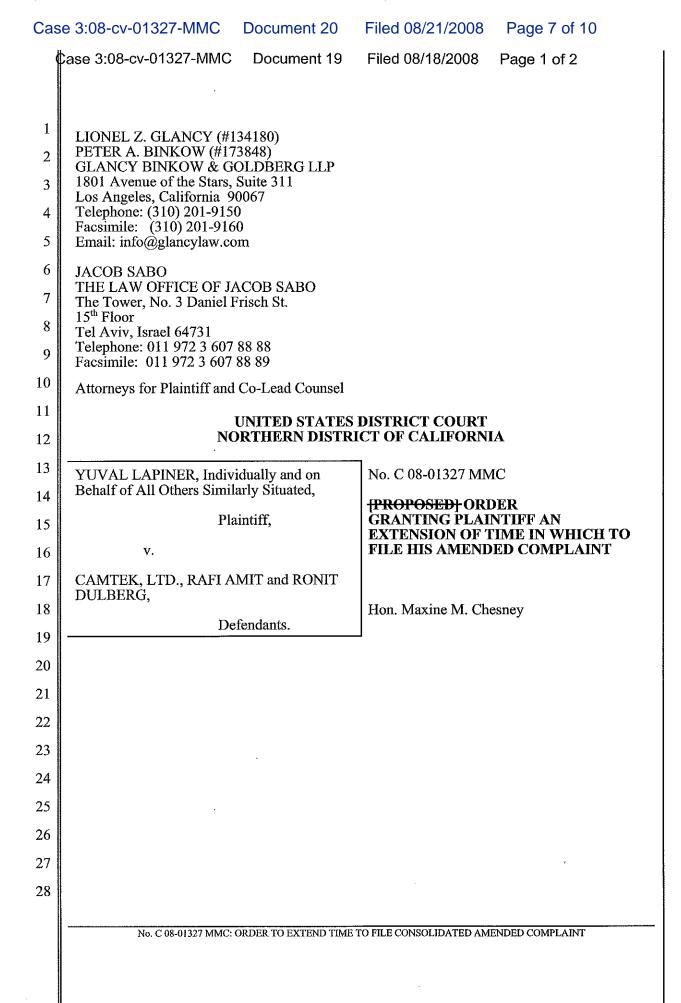
Dated: August 21, 2008 Respectfully submitted,

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Case 3:08-cv-01327-MMC Document 19 Filed 08/18/2008 Page 2 of 2 <del>(PROPOSED)</del> ORDER 1 Pursuant to the parties' stipulation, and GOOD CAUSE APPEARING, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that: 2 1. Plaintiff shall have a two-week extension of time, up to and including August 3 4 22,2008, in which to file his Amended Complaint; 5 2. Defendants shall answer or otherwise respond to any amended consolidated 6 complaint no later than October 6, 2008; If any defendant's 3. 1f Defendants' response to the Amended Complaint is a motion to dismiss. such motion shall be noticed for hearing no earlier than January 9, 2009, and 8 Plaintiff shall file any opposition to the motion to dismiss no later than November 9 6, 2008; and 10 If such motion to dismiss is filed, defendants' reply in support of the motion to 4. 11 dismiss shall be filed no later than December 8, 2008. 12 13 Dated: August 18, 2008 14 United States District Judge 15 Submitted by: 16 LIONEL Z. GLANCY (#134180) 17 PETER A. BINKOW (#173848) GLANCY BINKOW & GOLDBERG LLP 18 1801 Avenue of the Stars, Suite 311 Los Angeles, California 90067 19 Telephone: (310) 201-9150 Facsimile: (310) 201-9160 20 Email: info@glancylaw.com 21 JACOB SABO 22 THE LAW OFFICE OF JACOB SABO The Tower, No. 3 Daniel Frisch St. 23 15<sup>th</sup> Floor Tel Aviv, Israel 64731 24 Telephone: 011 972 3 607 88 88 Facsimile: 011 972 3 607 88 89 25 Plaintiff's Co-Lead Counsel 26 27 28

# PROOF OF SERVICE BY ELECTRONIC POSTING PURSUANT TO NORTHERN 1 DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA LOCAL RULES AND ECF GENERAL ORDER NO. 45 AND BY MAIL ON ALL KNOWN NON-REGISTERED PARTIES 2 I, the undersigned, say: 3 4 I am a citizen of the United States and am employed in the office of a member of the Bar of 5 this Court. I am over the age of 18 and not a party to the within action. My business address is One 6 Embarcadero Center, Suite 760, San Francisco, California 94111. 7 On August 21, 2008 I served the following by posting such documents electronically to the 8 ECF website of the United States District Court for the Northern District of California: 9 1. NOTICE OF MOTION AND MOTION TO WITHDRAW AS CO-LEAD COUNSEL. AND FOR ORDER GRANTING PLAINTIFF AN EXTENSION 10 OF TIME TO FILE HIS AMENDED COMPLAINT; 11 2. DECLARATION OF LIONEL Z. GLANCY IN SUPPORT OF MOTION TO 12 WITHDRAW AS CO-LEAD COUNSEL, AND FOR ORDER GRANTING PLAINTIFF AN EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE HIS AMENDED 13 COMPLAINT [UNDER SEAL] 14 **3.** PROPOSED ORDER GRANTING MOTION TO WITHDRAW AS CO-LEAD COUNSEL, AND FOR ORDER GRANTING PLAINTIFF AN EXTENSION 15 OF TIME TO FILE HIS AMENDED COMPLAINT 16 on all ECF-registered parties in the action and, upon all others not so-registered but instead listed 17 below, by placing a true copy thereof enclosed in a sealed envelope with postage thereon fully 18 prepaid in the United States mail at Los Angeles, California. They are: 19 20 SEE SERVICE LIST 21 Executed on August 21, 2008, at Los Angeles, California. 22 I certify under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. 23 24 /s/ Daniel C. Rann Daniel C. Rann 25 26 27

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1 **SERVICE LIST Electronically to all ECF-Registered Entities** 2 3:08-cv-1327 Notice has been electronically mailed to: 3 info@glancylaw.com 4 Lionel Z. Glancy 5 Peter Arthur Binkow info@glancylaw.com, pbinkow@glancylaw.com 6 Richard H. Zelichov richard.zelichov@kattenlaw.com 7 3:08-cv-1327 Notice has been delivered by other means to: 8 Jacob Sabo Law Offices of Jacob Sabo 9 The Tower No.3 **Daniel Frisch Street** 10 15th Floor Tel Aviv, 64731 11 Israel 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28